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Initiation
of the
Daughters
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American Revolution



INITIATION
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The Daughters
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ORDER OF MEETING

Chapter called to order by Regent.

Roll call—Patriotic quotations.

Minutes of previous meeting.

Submission of communications.

Reports of committees.

Unfinished business.

New business.

Report of candidate by Registrar.

ORDER OF MARCH

Flag

Regent

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1st Vice Regent *

* 2nd. Vice Regent

Rec. Sec. *

* Cor. Sec.

Treas. *

* Reg.

Chap. *

* His.

1st Guard *

* 2nd Guard

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Candidate

Roll call of officers by Regent and officers stand as name and office are called, remaining standing until organist begins march.

Officers then repair to ante-room in order of lowest rank, meet the candidate and return in order of highest rank, carrying small flag, at left on left shoulder, at right on right shoulder; then form two parallel lines with Regent at head and flag crossed under which candidate is to be led by Guard.

Guards are to remain at door until officers are in position then 1st Guard escorts candidate on right arm, pass through lines under flag and turn to left back of officers to foot of line facing Regent. Officers drop flag to shoulder. One tap of gavel by Regent and Chapter stands.

SUGGESTIONS

1. Officers dress in white.
2. Large flag draped back of Regent.
3. Regent step aside in order to salute flag.
4. Salute flag with the right hand.
5. Officers respond in order given.
6. Patriotic song may be sung at entrance instead of Patriotic March played.
7. Organist plays softly during initiation.
8. Officers march two feet apart.
9. Officers address candidates in responses.
10. In case of two candidates, 2nd Guard escorts candidate on left arm turning to the right, passing back of officers.
11. Chapters having one Vice-Regent either combine or omit response.
12. Any motto may be substituted for the one used by the "Ladies of the Lake".
13. March Used—"Daughters of the American Revolution March."

INITIATION

Chapter Stand.

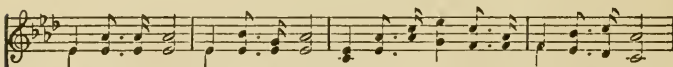
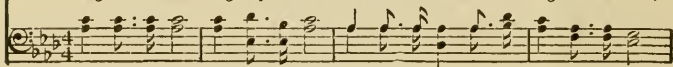
Flag Salute by Chapter.

“Flag of our great Republic—
Symbol of human liberty,
Inspirer in battle,
Guardian of our homes—
Whose stars and stripes
Stand for courage, purity and union,
We salute thee.
We, the children of many lands,
Who find rest and safety
Under thy folds.
Give our hands, our heads,
And our hearts to thee;
We pledge our lives
And sacred honor
To guard and revere thee,
And our beloved country, forever.
Song—“Flag of The Free”

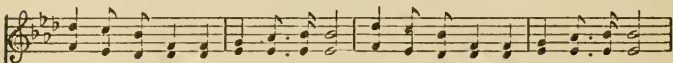
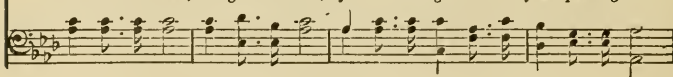
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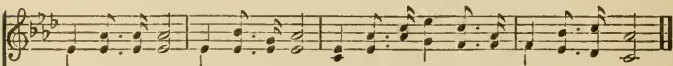
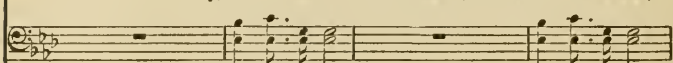
1. Flag of the free, fair-est to ael Borne thro' the strife and the thunder of war;
2. Flag of the brave, long may it wave, Choa-en of God while His might we a-dore,



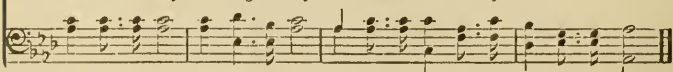
Ban-ner so bright, with star-ry light, Float ev-er proudly from mountain to shore:
In freedom's van, for good to man, Sym-bol of right thro' the years passing o'er:



Em-blem of free-dom, hope to the slave, Spread thy fair folds to shield and to save,
Pride of our coun-try, honored a-far. Scat-ter each cloud that dims but a star,



While thro' the sky loud rings the cry, Un-ion and Lib-er-ty! One ev-er-more.



PRAYER BY CHAPLAIN

Almighty God, whose kingdom is everlasting and power infinite; from whom cometh all blessings, grant we beseech thee, that we may so faithfully serve thee in this generation that we fail not to obtain thy heavenly promises. We pray thee to give us that due sense of thy mercies that our hearts may be thankful; and that we show forth thy praises not only with our lips, but in our lives. Have mercy upon this whole land and so govern the lives of thy servants, the President of the United States, the Governor of this State, and all others in authority, that they knowing whose ministers they are, may above all things seek thy honor and glory. And we, thy people, ever rejoice in thy holy name through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

ADDRESS BY REGENT

1. We believe in one God, one country, one flag. We believe in the home; we believe in our schools and their abundant opportunity to instill in the minds of the young, the principles of patriotic devotion to their home-land. We believe in the flag—a symbol of the power, the honor and the glory of all our United States, and we join our-selves to no party that does not carry the flag and keep step to the music of the Union. We consecrate our work to the spirit of National Independence, and we wish that the light of peace may rest upon it, forever, and now since you (name) have proven your eligibility to become a Daughter of the American Revolution, we welcome you as a member of “Ladies of the Lake” Chapter (substitute name of Chapter using initiation.)

RESPONSE BY OFFICERS

1st. Guard.

"Our Country! In her intercourse with other nations may she always be in the right, but Our Country, right or wrong.

2nd. Guard.

"God grants Liberty only to those who love it and are always ready to guard and defend it."

Chaplain.

"There is a shrine in the temple of ages where lies, forever embalmed, the memories of such as have deserved well of their country and their race.

Historian.

"The kindred blood which flows in the veins of American citizens, the mingled blood which they have shed in defense of their sacred rights, consecrate their Union."

Treasurer.

"For the Dead, a Tribute, for the Living,
a Memory, for posterity, an Emblem of
Loyalty to the flag of their Country."

Registrar.

"The mystic chords of memory stretching
from every battlefield and patriot grave.
to every living heart, and hearthstone, all
over this broad land, will yet swell the
chorus of the Union. When again touched,
as surely they will be by the better angels
of our nature."

Rec. Sec.

"Our father's God from out whose hand
The centuries fall like grains of sand,
We meet to-day, united, free,
And loyal to our land and thee."

Cor. Sec.

"Such is the patriot's boast, where'er we
roam, his first, best country ever is at
home."

1st. Vice Regent.

"A day an hour, of virtuous liberty, is worth a whole eternity in bondage."

2nd. Vice Regent.

"Let our object be our country, our whole country and nothing but our country. And by the blessings of God may that country itself, become a vast and splendid monument, not of oppression and terror but of wisdom, of peace, and of liberty upon which the world may gaze with admiration forever.

After responses Regent taps gavel and calls for Chapter motto.

Our Motto—by Chapter.

“The union of Lakes, the union of Lands,
the union of States, none can sever.

The union of Hearts, the union of Hands,
and the Flag of our Union forever.”

Song—America—by Chapter, after which
greeting of new members by Chapter in order
of rank, members following officers, and organ-
ist playing softly.

Smith.
mf Moderato.

America.

Carey.

1. My coun-try, 'tis of thee, Sweet land of lib - er - ty,
2. My na - tive coun - try, thee, Land of the no - ble free,
3. Let mu - sic swell the breeze And ring from all the trees
4. Our fa - thers' God, to Thee, Au - thor of lib - er - ty,

mf

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Of thee I sing. Land where my fa - thers died, Land of the
Thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills, Thy woods and
Sweet freedom's song; Let mor - tal tongues a - wake, Let all that
To Thee we sing. Long may our land be bright With freedom's

pil - grim's pride, From ev - 'ry moun - tain side Let free - dom ring.
tem - pl'd hills; My heart with rap - ture thrills Like that a - bove.
breathe partake, Let rocks their si - lence break, The sound prolong.
ho - ly light, Pro - tect us by Thy might, Great God, our King.

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